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The Honorable William J. Casey Director of Central Intelligence

Dear Bill,

I want to thank you for making it possible for your excellent NIO for Latin America, to accompany me to Western Europe last month. The trip was of considerable importance to the United States Government, since we are currently involved in an ongoing effort to convince our European allies of the correctness of our analysis of, and policy toward, Central America.

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While I have been talking with leading Socialists in Western Europe about this subject for some time, it is simply not possible for a generalist like myself to master the details of the field with the precision, profundity and the wit that strated on the trip. His assistance was invaluable. And last of all, his friendship and good will made the trip a pleasure.

You are lucky to have him with you at CIA.

Many thanks.

Best wishes,

Michael A. Ledeen Special Adviser to the Secretary

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